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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7348**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1593

**NOTE PREPARED:** Apr 9, 2009

**BILL AMENDED:** Apr 9, 2009

**SUBJECT:** Practicing as a Surgical Technologist.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Moseley

**FIRST SPONSOR:** Sen. Miller

**BILL STATUS:** CR Adopted - 2<sup>nd</sup> House

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X GENERAL  
DEDICATED  
FEDERAL

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) This bill specifies individuals who may perform surgical technology functions in a health care facility setting. The bill places responsibility on an employee who wishes to perform surgical technology functions in a health care facility to provide the individual's health care facility employer with evidence that the employee meets specified conditions. It also specifies qualifications for an operating room circulator.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2009.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** (Revised) This bill requires health care facility employers to ensure compliance with requirements that surgical technologists and operating room circulators operate within certain capacities as well as possess defined qualifications and educational requirements. The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) may provide oversight to ensure that hospitals ensure the certification and qualification of practicing surgical technologists as a condition of hospital licensure. This may increase the workload of ISDH, however any potential increase is expected to be minor.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

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**State Agencies Affected:** ISDH.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

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